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SUBJECT: MULTI-REGIONAL PROJECT ON THE ENVIRONMENT AND
RESOURCES, OCTOBER 30 TO NOVEMBER 29, 1976

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1. THE DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES A MULTI-REGIONAL PROJECT
DESIGNED TO PROVIDE POLICY-MAKERS AND OPINION MOLDERS WITH
A BROAD OVERVIEW OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION PROGRAMS AND
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POLICIES IN THE U.S. AND OF ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES ARISING
IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF ENERGY AND OTHER RESOURCES.

2. QUALIFICATIONS: NOMINEES MUST BE LEADERS WHO HAVE A

BROAD, NON-TECHNICAL INTEREST IN ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION POLICIES AND ISSUES, CONSIDERABLE INFLUENCE ON PUBLIC POLICY AND/OR PUBLIC OPINION ON ENVIRONMENTAL AND RESOURCES ISSUES, AND ENGLISH ADEQUATE (S3/R4 LEVEL) FOR FULL PARTICIPATION IN SEMINARS ON COMPLEX ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL PROBLEMS. NOMINEES SHOULD BE LEADERS INTERESTED IN A WIDE RANGE OF ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES RATHER THAN SPECIALISTS CONCENTRATING ON A SINGLE ISSUE SUCH AS AIR POLLUTION, SEWAGE TREATMENT, OR WILDLIFE PROTECTION. NOMINEES MAY BE MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT OR OTHER POLITICAL LEADERS WITH STRONG ENVIRONMENTAL INTERESTS; EDITORS OF

ENVIRONMENTAL JOURNALS OR OTHER MEDIA ENVIRONMENTAL EXPERTS; SENIOR STAFF OF UNIVERSITY OR OTHER ENVIRONMENTAL INSTITUTES; SENIOR OFFICIALS OF CENTRAL OR REGIONAL AGENCIES CONCERNED WITH ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND/OR, NATURAL RESOURCES; AND DIRECTORS OR DEPUTY DIRECTORS OF MAJOR NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS INVOLVED IN ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES. DEPENDENTS MAY NOT ACCOMPANY GRANTEES. IN NOMINATING FOR CU GRANTS, POSTS SHOULD ENSURE THAT A GRANT FOR THE PROJECT IS RELEVANT TO ONE OF THE GROUPS OR INSTITUTIONS IDENTIFIED FOR EMPHASIS IN THE COUNTRY PROGRAM PROPOSAL AND APPROPRIATELY FALLS WITHIN THE PRIORITIES, OR SHOULD JUSTIFY ANY DEVIATION FROM THE CPP.

3. PROGRAM: THE PROGRAM IN THE U.S. WILL PROVIDE (A) A SURVEY OF FEDERAL AND STATE PROGRAMS CONCERNED WITH AIR AND WATER QUALITY, THE PROTECTION OF CRITICAL AREAS, AND THE PRESERVATION OF SCENIC, WILDERNESS, AND RECREATION AREAS; (B) AN INTRODUCTION TO ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS AND PROBLEMS ARISING IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES, ESPECIALLY OF ENERGY RESOURCES; AND (C) OPPORTUNITIES TO OBSERVE AND DISCUSS THE U.S. ELECTION WEEK IN WASHINGTON. THE FOLLOWING IS A TENTATIVE ITINERARY:

OCTOBER 30-31 ARRIVE IN WASHINGTON

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NOVEMBER 1-6 WASHINGTON (FEDERAL AND OTHER ENVIRONMENTAL AND RESOURCES AGENCIES; OBSERVE AND DISCUSS ELECTIONS)

NOVEMBER 7-10 PITTSBURGH (NUCLEAR AND COAL INDUSTRIES; POLLUTION ABATEMENT AND WATER QUALITY PROGRAMS).

NOVEMBER 11-13 DENVER (FEDERAL AND STATE RECLAMATION PAR, AND RESOURCES AGENCIES; ENVIRONMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS).

NOVEMBER 14-17 SAN FRANCISCO AND SACRAMENTO

(CALIFORNIA RESOURCES, CONSERVATION,
AND WATER AGENCIES; ENVIRONMENTAL
ORGANIZATIONS).

NOVEMBER 18-23 VISITS BY SMALL TEAMS TO COMMUNITIES
CHOSEN BY PARTICIPANTS FROM PRE-
PLANNED OPTIONS, TO BE DEVELOPED
AFTER NOMINATIONS RECEIVED, OR TRAVEL
INDIVIDUALLY.

NOVEMBER 24 PROJECT EVALUATION BY GROUP IN
WASHINGTON

NOVEMBER 25-28 INDIVIDUAL OR SMALL-GROUP ACTIVITIES
IN DEPARTURE CITIES (NEW YORK,
MIAMI, OR HONOLULU) DURING
THANKSGIVING WEEKEND.

4. COSTS CHARGEABLE TO POSTS' FY-1977 IV ALLOCATIONS:
DOLS 1955 PLUS INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL. COST SHARING IN
FULL OR PARTIAL GRANTS IS ENCOURAGED.

5. ACTION: INTERESTED POSTS SHOULD CABLE DEPARTMENT BY
SEPTEMBER 1. AMERICAN OFFICER SHOULD, WHENEVER POSSIBLE,
DETERMINE NOMINEE'S ENGLISH ABILITY AND PROFESSIONAL AND
OTHER INTERESTS. NOMINATIONS INCLUDING FULL BIODATA,
ENGLISH, U.S. CONTACTS, AND INTERESTS SHOULD BE CABLED
TO DEPARTMENT BY SEPTEMBER 15. SINCE AID/WASHINGTON HAS
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EXPRESSED INTEREST IN THIS PROJECT POSTS MAY WANT TO
INCLUDE THE AID MISSION IN CONSULTATION ABOUT NOMINATIONS.
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